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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Masahiro HOJO and Kumi FUJIKI  
RUBBER COMPOSITION AND PNEUMATIC TIRE USING THE SAME  
Assignee: **BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q79731

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Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 23 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract. **Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>24</u> - 20	= <u>4</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$72.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=		x	\$86.00	= <u>\$770.00</u>
Base Fee						<u>\$290.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee						<u>\$1132.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>						<u><b>\$1132.00</b></u>

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1132.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003-29397	February 6, 2003
Japan	2003-29404	February 6, 2003
Japan	2003-426560	December 24, 2003



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The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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